

RURAL DISTRICT OF DORCHESTER.

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--: ANNUAL REPORT :-

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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS of the AUTHORITY.

(a) Medical: Part-time officer:-

C.D. Day, M.A., D.P.H., etc., 7, Weymouth Avenue, Dorchester, Medical Officer of Health.

(b) Others: Whole-time officers:-

N. Rawlins, Certif. Royal Sanitary Institute (1930). Sanitary Inspector. Inspector under Petroleum Act.

R.B. Perrett, Cert. S.I.B. Additional Sanitary Inspector.

Part-time officer:-

N.S. Lesmere, Inspector N.S.P.C.A., Assistant Sanitary Inspector, (Duties in connection with humane killing.)



REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1937.

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To:-

The Chairman and Members of the DORCHESTER RURAL  
DISTRICT COUNCIL.

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Ladies & Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my sixteenth Annual Report on the Sanitary Circumstances, the Sanitary administration and the Vital statistics of the Dorchester Rural District. This report is arranged in accordance with instructions received from the Ministry of Health.

As from 1st. April 1933 the Dorchester Rural District has been enlarged, to the north, to take in a part of the former Cerne Rural District, and to the south to take in about half of the former Weymouth Rural District.

Dr. E.E. Dalton formerly M.O.H. for the Cerne Area retired at the end of last year, and I was appointed for the whole area as from 1st. January 1937.



The present District comprises (a) Thirty-six Parishes  
formerly in this district:-

Athelhampton.	Little Bredy.	Watercombe.
Bradford Peverell.	Longbredy.	West Knighton.
Broadmayne.	Maiden Newton.	West Stafford.
Burlestone.	Piddlehinton.	Whitcombe.
Charminster.	Puddletown.	Winterborne Abbas.
Chilfrome.	Stinsford.	Winterborne Came.
Compton Abbas.	Stratton.	Winterborne Herringstone.
Compton Vallence.	Tincleton.	Winterborne Monkton.
Dewlish.	Toller Fratrum.	Winterborne St. Martin.
Frampton.	Toller Porcorum.	Woodsford.
Frome Vauchurch.	Tolpuddle.	Wynford Eagle.
Kingston Russell.	Warmwell.	Winterborne Steepleton.

(b) Nine Parishes incorporated from the former Weymouth

Rural District:-

Abbotsbury.	Osmington.
Bincombe.	Owermoigne.
Chickerell.	Portesham.
Fleet.	Poxwell.
Langton Herring.	

(c) Thirteen Parishes incorporated from the former Cerne

Rural District:-

Alton Pancras.	Melcombe Horsey.
Buckland Newton.	Minterne Magna.
Cattistock.	Nether Cerne.
Cerne Abbas.	Piddletrenthide.
Cheselbourne.	Sydling St. Nicholas.
Frome St. Quinton.	Up Cerne.
Godmanstone.	

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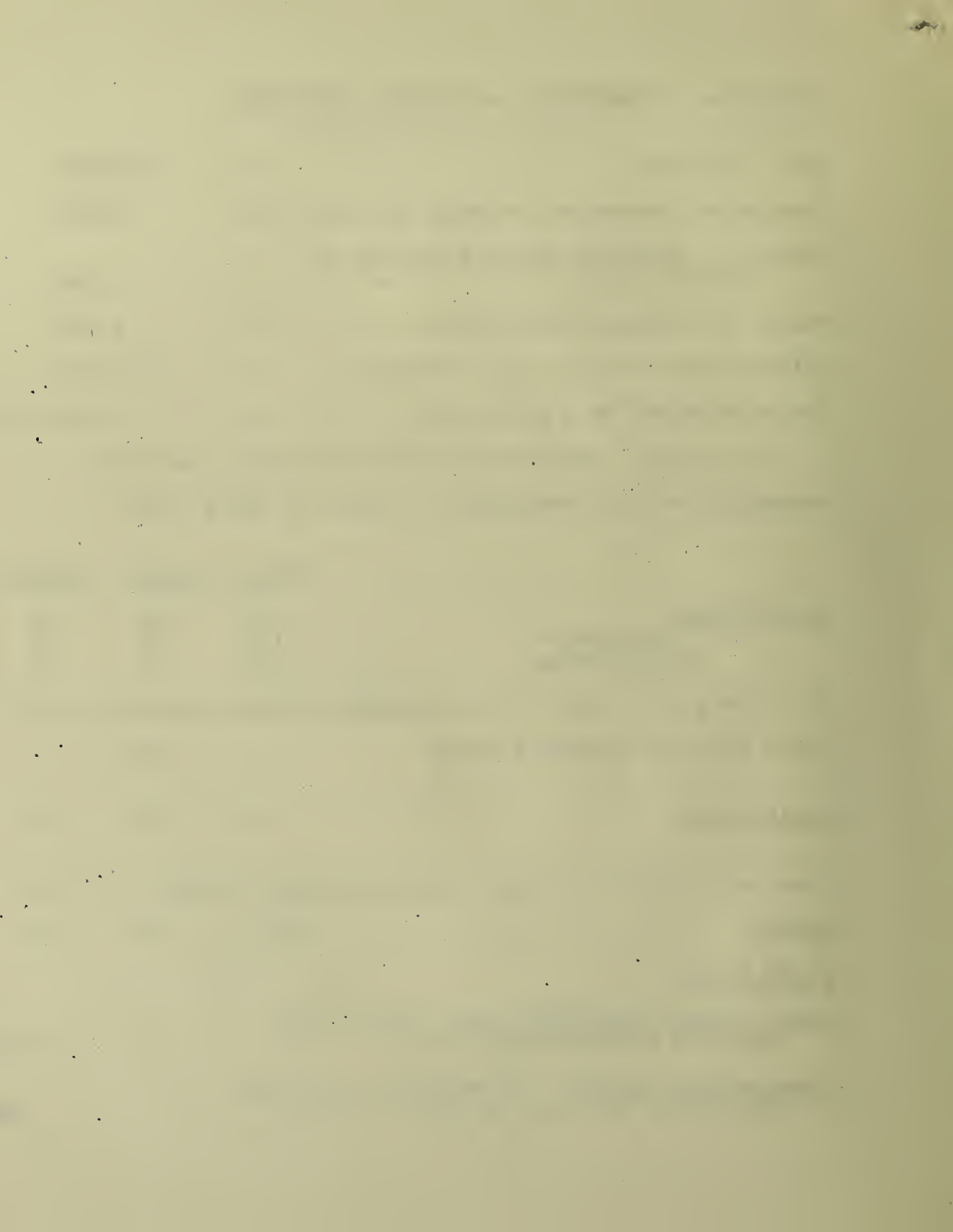


# SECTION A. - STATISTICS and SOCIAL CONDITIONS.

Area - in acres	....	....	....	128,606.
Population (estimated resident mid-year 1937)				15,510.
Number of Inhabited Houses according to the Rate Books	....	....	....	4,436.
Number of Working Class Houses	....	....		4,236.
Rateable Value as at 31st. December			....	£63,906.
Sum represented by a penny rate....		....		£280.0.3.

The Social conditions are entirely rural, the chief occupation of the inhabitants is farm and dairy work.

	<u>Total.</u>	<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>
<u>Live Births.</u>	197	100	97
Legitimate	185	94	91
Illegitimate	12	6	6
Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population			12.7.
Birth Rate for England & Wales	=	14.9.	
<u>Stillbirths.</u>	4	2	2
Rate per 1,000 Total (live and still-births) Births ...			19.9.
<u>DEATHS.</u>	208	115	93
<u>Death Rates.</u>			
<u>Local (crude) Death Rate</u> per 1,000 of the estimated resident population..	...		13.41
<u>Comparability Factor</u> for adjusting the Local Death Rates (see note below)...	...		.82



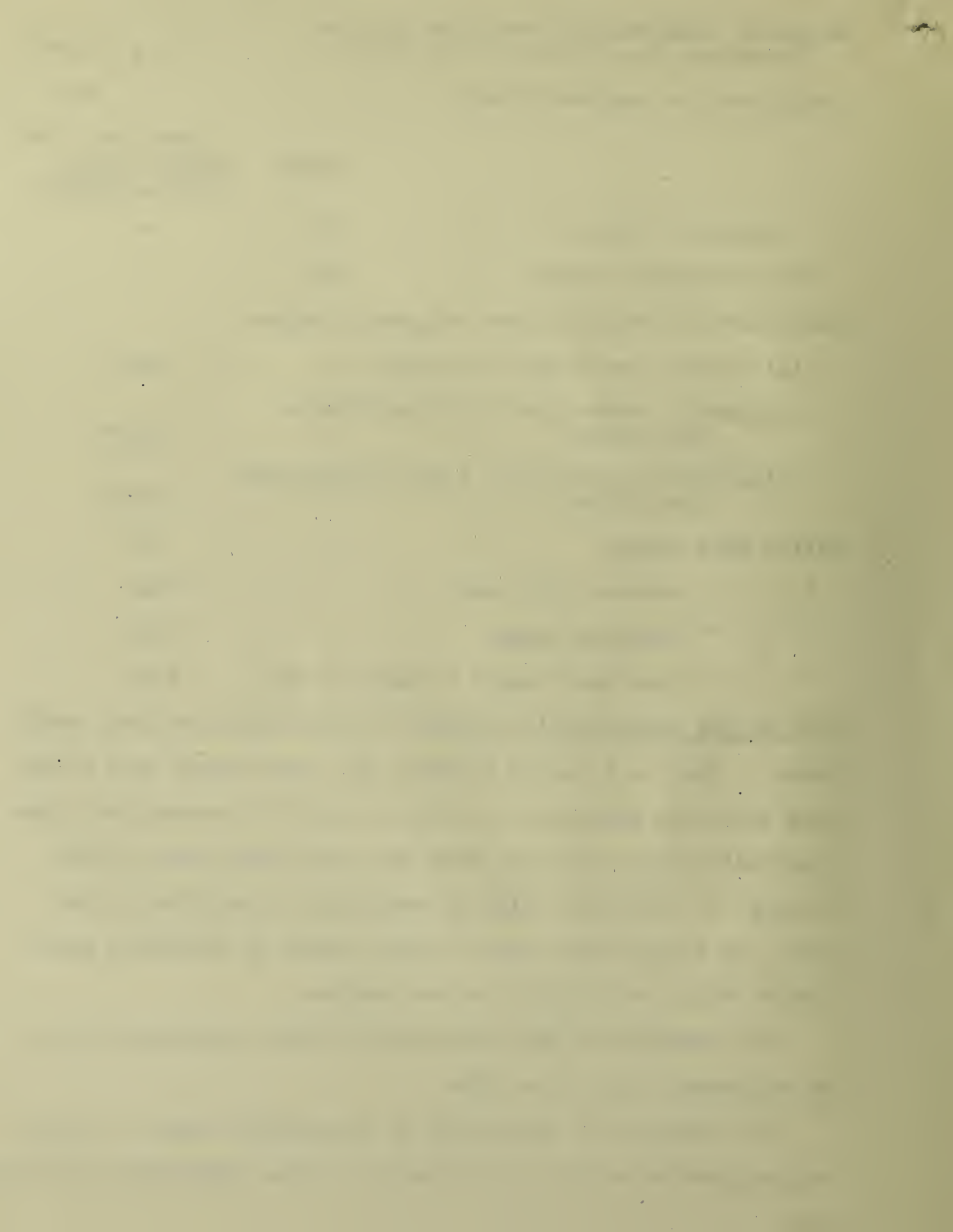
Adjusted (comparable) Death Rate for the Dorchester Rural District for 1937 .. ..	=	10.99
Death Rate for England & Wales .. ..	=	12.4

	<u>Deaths.</u>	<u>Rate per 1000 Total (live &amp; still) births.</u>
Puerperal Sepsis ..	Nil	-
Other Puerperal causes ..	Nil	-
Death Rate of Infants under one year of age:-		
All infants per 1,000 live births .. ..		40.6
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births .. ..		32.44
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births .. ..		166.66
Deaths from Cancer .. ..		26.
" " Measles (all ages) .. ..		Nil.
" " Whooping Cough.. ..		Nil.
" " Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age) ..		Nil.

Note on the Comparability Factor for adjusting the Local Death Rates. This is a factor by which the crude death rate of the area should be multiplied in order to make it comparable, from a mortality point of view, with the crude death rate of the country as a whole or with the mortality of any other local area, the crude death rate of which should be similarly modified with its own factor for the purpose.

For examples of the utilization of the adjusting factor, see my Annual Report for 1934.

No condition of occupation or environment appear to have any prejudicial effect on the health of the inhabitants of this area.



CAUSES of DEATH in the DORCHESTER RURAL DISTRICT  
as registered in 1937.

	M.	F.
Influenza ... ..	3	3
Tuberculosis of respiratory system ...	2	-
Other tuberculosis ... ..	2	1
Cancer, malignant disease ... ..	12	14
Diabetes ... ..	1	4
Cerebral haemorrhage ... ..	8	9
Heart disease ... ..	37	16
Other circulatory diseases ... ..	10	9
Bronchitis ... ..	4	4
Pneumonia (all forms) ... ..	3	2
Other respiratory diseases ... ..	2	1
Peptic ulcer ... ..	3	1
Appendicitis ... ..	1	1
Liver disease(other than Cirrhosis) ...	-	1
Other digestive diseases. ... ..	1	-
Nephritis ... ..	3	1
Congenital debility, malformation etc....	2	3
Senility ... ..	4	10
Suicide ... ..	2	-
Violence (other than suicide) ... ..	8	4
Other defined Diseases... ..	7	8
Ill defined Diseases ... ..	<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>
ALL CAUSES.	115	93



## SECTION B.

### GENERAL PROVISION of HEALTH SERVICES in the AREA.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS - see the beginning of this report.

LABORATORY FACILITIES. Bacteriological and pathological investigations are carried out by The Clinical Investigation Laboratory, 2a Wimborne Road, Bournemouth. The bacteriological examination of sputum is done at the Poole Laboratory, King Street, Poole, under the Dorset County Council Scheme.

Water samples are analysed for the Council by Dr. R.P. Charles, County Analyst for Dorset, Old Library House, Dean Park Road, Bournemouth.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES. Cases of infectious disease from the middle and northern part of the new area are removed in the Infectious diseases motor-ambulance belonging to the Borough of Dorchester and kept at the Borough Isolation Hospital. Cases from Osmington district and the district between Chickereil & Abbotsbury (inclusive) are moved by the Weymouth Corporation motor ambulance to the Weymouth Borough Isolation Hospital. These services are adequate.

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The latter hospital also admits cases of Tuberculosis under the County Scheme.

Other cases, pneumonia, puerperal fever, ophthalmia neonatorum, etc., are admitted to the Dorset County Hospital & Weymouth & District Hospital.

NURSING in the HOME. No special arrangements. It is undertaken by the Midwives in their area. The following midwives notified their intention to practise in this district:-

Lush, Alice Louise	Dorchester Road, Maiden Newton.
Diment, Linda Edith	Kings Farm, Piddletrenthide.
Whittall, Clara	Nurses Cottage, Winterborne Abbas (deceased).
Porter, Mary Ellen	8, Council Houses, Broadmayne.
Curtis, Hilda	2, Way View Crescent, Broadway Estate, Weymouth.
Mock, Mabel Louisa	Nurses Cottage, Puddletown (left district).
Parker, Martha Jane	Nurses Cottage, Piddletrenthide. (left county)
Stewart, Frances A.	Brooke Cottage, Maiden Newton.
Greening, Clara Doris	Barrowland Farm, Toller Porcorum.
Phillips, June May	Bank Farm, Chickerell, (left county).
Jones, Elizabeth A.	Wrackleford (retired).
Wellman, Gladys Helen	"Providence House", Cerne Abbas.
Knapman, Maude V.	Lawrence Farm, Buckland Newton.
Hatcher, Flora	Rose Cattistock.
Hickey, Catherine	Brockhampton Farm, Buckland Newton (ceased practice).
Curtis, Ethel Amy	70. Long Street, Cerne Abbas.
Pickford, Hilda	The Village, Puddletown.
Gill, Margaret	The Dairy House, Abbotsbury (retired).
Kelland, Ellen Louise	23, Sutcliffe Avenue, Weymouth.
Leeke, Mary Gladys	Mill Cottage, Winterborne Abbas.
Quartermaine, Gladys	Wrackleford Cottage, Bradford Peverell.
Jones, Henrietta	West Street, Chickerell.
Inkpen, Geraldine	Abbey Road, Cerne Abbas.

There is no provision for nursing infectious diseases at home.

CLINICS and TREATMENT CENTRES. None in the district, the nearest are at Weymouth and Dorchester.



HOSPITALS.            None in the district.

No changes during the year in the hospital services. Since May 1926 cases of Scarlet Fever and Diphtheria have been admitted from this district to the Dorchester Borough Isolation Hospital where there is usually ample accommodation for those cases. Should this hospital be unable to take cases I am authorised to arrange for their admission to the Weymouth Borough Isolation Hospital.

Cases occurring in the Osmington district and in the area between Chickerell and Abbotsbury (inclusive) are isolated at the Weymouth Borough Isolation Hospital as this is much more convenient to the families concerned for visiting, etc.

SECTION C.- SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

1. (1) WATER. No shortage reported during the year.

New supplies or works carried out.

A piped supply to Charminster and to Herrison Hospital.

The undermentioned villages have a more or less complete piped water supply. In some cases the supply is private and only supplies a part of the village. The chief supplies are an undertaking at Maiden Newton & Frome Vauchurch by this Council, the supply to Chickerell from Weymouth Borough, and to Charminster and Herrison Hospital by this Council.



The following parishes have a piped water supply:-

Abbotsbury, Bincombe, Bradford Peverell, Broadmayne, Cattistock, Charminster, Chickerell, Chilfrome (3 houses), Compton Abbas (partial), Dewlish, Frome Vauchurch, Langton Herring, Maiden Newton, Minterne Magna, Osmington, Owermoigne, Portisham, Poxwell, Sydling St. Nicholas (partial), Toller Fratrum, Warmwell, Winterborne Came, Winterborne Herringstone, Winterborne Monkton, Winterborne St. Martin (numerous houses supplied from the Portland Urban District Council Reservoir), Friar Waddon, Winterborne Steepleton and Wynford Eagle.

#### WATER SAMPLES.

Five samples of water were taken and analysed during the year. These were from Rew, Buckland Newton, Sydling St. Nicholas and Charminster. They were all unfit for domestic purposes.

(ii) DRAINAGE and SEWERAGE. There is no drainage scheme in this district.

Chickerell, a somewhat compact and densely populated area is situated on the Oxford Clay and consequently trouble is caused with the overflow from cesspools. The area requires a proper drainage system.





Maiden Newton a very compact and large village with a water supply, also requires a proper drainage system.

2. POLLUTION of STREAMS.

The river at Osmington Mills has been carefully inspected and by means of colour tests numerous drains have been found to empty into and pollute it. Steps are being taken to have this nuisance abated.

3.	(i)	<u>CLOSET</u>	No. of Water-Closets ...	...	787
		<u>ACCOMMO-</u>			
		<u>DATION.</u>	" "	conservancy system (earth closets 3,330	
				closets	(
					( privies 147
			"	converted during the year from -	
			(a)	Earth Closets to water closets	13
			(b)	Vault Closets to earth closets	11

(ii) PUBLIC CLEANSING.

Since November 1930 House Refuse has been collected by a contractor under agreement with this Authority and removed to refuse deposits. A collection is made by lorry in each parish once a fortnight, and removed to refuse pits. This arrangement is quite satisfactory.

NIGHT SOIL COLLECTION. Arrangements have been made for the collection of night soil weekly at twenty-seven houses in Charminster. This is carried out by the Refuse Contractor. Otherwise the cleansing of Earth Closets, privies, ashpits and cesspools is not undertaken by this authority.





(iii) SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

No. of Inspections	...	...	...	1952
" " Informal Notices	...	...	...	97
" complied with	...	...	...	71
" of Statutory Notices...	...	...	...	14
" complied with	...	...	...	11

(iv) SHOPS - No action taken under the Shops Act 1934.

(v) SMOKE ABATEMENT. No action taken, no nuisance recorded.

(vi) SWIMMING BATHS & POOLS. There is a privately owned 'Swimming Bath' - partly in this district, consisting of a stretch of the river, in the parish of Stinsford, enclosed to form a public bathing place.

(vii) ERADICATION of BED BUGS. No action taken by this Authority or by contractor. There is no cleansing station in this area.

FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS and WORK-PLACES.

1. INSPECTION of FACTORIES, etc.

	<u>Inspections.</u>	<u>Written Notices.</u>	<u>Prosecutions.</u>
Factories ..	6	4	Nil.
Workshops & )			
Work-places )	23	7	Nil.

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2. DEFECTS found in FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS,  
and WORK-PLACES.

			<u>Defects.</u>	<u>Remedied.</u>
Want of cleanliness	..	..	3	3
Insufficient Sanitary Accommodation			1	1
<u>OUTWORKERS.</u>	registered	..	6	

BAKEHOUSES. There are fifteen bakehouses in the district. With one exception they have all been kept in a satisfactory condition. Limewashing and cleansing was required in one case.

PREMISES CONTROLLED BY BYE-LAWS. There are no houses let in lodgings, hop-pickers, offensive trades or underground sleeping rooms in the district.

NEW ACTS &(or) BYE-LAWS brought into force during 1937.

Public Health Act 1936.

SCHOOLS. In two cases insufficient sanitary accommodation was found and informal notices issued. In one case this has been remedied. The other case is still under the consideration of the Managers.

Most of the Schools are provided with earth-closets, a few have a water carriage system draining into cesspools.



The majority of the schools are supplied with water from wells, in some cases at a distance from the schools, a few have a piped water supply.

RAG FLOCK ACT 1911 & 1928.

Rag flock is not manufactured in this district.

SECTION D. - HOUSING.

1. Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the year:-

(1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) ..	201
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose .. .. .	243
(2) (a) Number of dwellinghouses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925	165
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose .. .. .	187
(3) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.	35
(4) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation.	59

2. REMEDY OF DEFECTS WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES.

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers	37
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3. ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS.

(a) - Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936:

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served required repairs .. .. .	Nil.
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(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:-

(a) By owners .. .. .	Nil.
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(b) By Local Authority in default of owners .. .. .	Nil.
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(b) - Proceedings under Public Health Acts:

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied.. .. .	6.
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(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:-

(a) By owners .. .. .	2
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(b) By Local Authority in default of owners .. .. .	Nil
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(c) - Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936:

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	3
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(1a) Clearance areas, (No. of houses)	15
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(2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	3
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(3) No. of Dwelling-houses closed ..	2
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(d) - Proceedings under section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936:

(1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made .. .. .	Nil
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(2) Number of separate tenements or under-ground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit.	..	Nil
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4. Housing Act, 1936 - Part IV - Overcrowding:-

(a). - (i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year	.. ..	35
(ii) Number of families dwelling therein		36
(iii) Number of persons dwelling therein		299
(b).- Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year	.. ..	16
(c).- (i) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year.	..	19
(ii) Number of persons concerned in such cases	.. ..	114
(d).- Particulars of any cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding.		Nil.

5. New Houses Erected.

Total number erected during 1937	.. ..	48
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No. erected with State Assistance

1. By Local Authority	.. ..	2
2. By other Bodies or Persons	.. ..	4

6. Number of houses owned by Local Authority	..	172.
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OVERCROWDING. The position as to overcrowding on 21st.

December 1937 was as follows:-



Number of Overcrowded houses reported in December, 1936 -	38
Number of Overcrowded houses reported in December, 1936 which have since been abated .. .. .	<u>17</u>
Number of Overcrowded houses reported in 1936 which are still Overcrowded	21
Number of additional overcrowded houses found during 1937 .. .. .	= 16
Number of additional overcrowded houses found during 1937, since abated .. .. .	= 2
Number of additional overcrowded houses found during 1937, which are still Overcrowded ..	= <u>14</u>
Total Number at present Overcrowded	35

The total number of houses which have now been measured for the "Permitted Number" is 1,700, and statements of the P.N. have been applied for and supplied in respect of 500 houses.

There does not appear to be any great shortage of houses taking the district as a whole, but a number of houses for the working classes at a low rent are needed in a few of the parishes. A few would probably be easy to let at a low rent if erected in almost any parish.



The following is a list of the Parishes together with the number of overcrowding cases in each :-

Abbotsbury	2
Bradford Peverell	1
Bincombe	1
Buckland Newton	3
Chesilborne	1
Cattistock	2
Cerne Abbas	1
Chickeroll	3
Dewlish	1
Frampton	1
Frome Vauchurch	1
Frome St. Quinton	1
Godmanstone	1
Maiden Newton	2
Minterne Magna	1
Owermoigne	2
Piddlehinton	2
Piddletrenthide	2
Sydling St. Nicholas	2
Toller Fratrum	1
West Knighton	2
Woodsford	1
Winterborne St.Martin	1
Total	35

# SECTION E.      INSPECTION and SUPERVISION of FOOD.

## (a) MILK SUPPLY.

### Cowsheds & Dairies.

No. of persons on Register at end of 1937	..	429.
No. of Dairy Farms and other dairy premises on Register at end of 1937	.. ..	439
No. of Dairy Farms inspected during 1937..	..	276
No. of inspections during 1937 ..	.. ..	283
No. of Statutory Notices served ..	.. ..	14



No. complied with	..	..	..	..	9
No. of Informal Notices..	..	..	..	..	21
No. complied with	..	..	..	..	15

MILK and DAIRIES ORDER 1926.

A complete record is kept of all the cowsheds in the district on a card index system.

MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS) ORDER, 1936.

"Tuberculin Tested" Milk. There has been a considerable increase in the number of producers of this grade of milk. In 1936 there were only four, whereas this year no less than 17 producers of this milk.

Pasteurised Milk. The United Dairies, Maiden Newton have been licensed to produce Pasteurised Milk.

The Co-operative Society, Weymouth and the Bladen Dairies Co., have been licensed to retail pasteurised milk in this district.

Accredited Milk.

There are fifty-three producers of this grade of milk in this Council's area.





The inspection of slaughter houses, carcasses, instruments etc., are inspected regularly by the Inspectors and a summary of the work is shown in the following table:-

	Cattle (including Cows and Calves).	Shoop & Lambs.	Pigs.
Number Killed	-	-	-
Number Inspected	174	201	1,237
Non-Tuberculous Diseases Whole Carcasses Condemned	1	1	1
Carcasses of which a part or Organ was condemned	24	17	7
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Disease other than Tuberculosis	14%	9%	.7%
Tuberculosis only. Whole Carcasses Condemned	2	0	2
Carcasses of which some part or organ was con- demned.	11	0	140
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis.	7%	0	11.5%
No. of slaughter-houses in the District	12.		
No. of Meat Stores	4.		
No. of Inspections	361.		
No. of Notices served	3.		
No. of Notices complied with	3.		
No. of Notices of Unsound carcasses	7.		



(c) ADULTERATION OF FOOD.

No action was taken.

CHEMICAL WORK.

The Sale of Food and Drugs' Acts are administered by the Police, and samples are analysed by the County Analyst.

The following samples were taken from this district during the year with the results as stated:-

<u>Article</u>	<u>No.of samples.</u>	<u>Genuine.</u>	<u>Article.</u>	<u>No.of samples.</u>	<u>Genuine.</u>
Almonds(Ground)	1	Yes	Olive Oil	1	Yes
Beer	1	"	Peas (Dried)	1	"
Brandy	1	"	Rice	1	"
Corned Beef	1	"	Shredded Suet	1	"
Condensed Milk	1	"	Sweets	1	"
Cocoa	1	"	Tapioca	2	"
Coffee	1	"	Tea	1	"
Honey	1	"	Vinogar (Malt)	1	"
Lemonade Powder	1	"	Rum	1	"
Lemon Squash	1	"			
Milk	27	(24 "			
		( 3 No			

Action taken in adulterated samples:-

One sample of milk 16% deficient in fat.

One sample of milk 2% deficient in fat, "Appeal to Cow" sample re the above.

One sample of milk 10% extraneous water. Prosecution -  
Seller fined £1. & £1. 1. 0 Costs.



SECTION F.    PREVALENCE OF, and CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS  
and OTHER DISEASES.

Full use is made of the bacteriological facilities provided.

No Smallpox has been notified and no action called for under the Public Health (Smallpox Prevention) Regulations 1917.

School intimations of infectious disease are investigated by me, the children examined in the Schools and overlooked cases of Scarlet Fever are sometimes discovered in this way.

The following schools were closed for the following reasons and periods:-

Puddletown - Scarlet Fever 11th. to 16th. January.

Long Bredy - Influenza 3rd. to 12th. February.

Coryates - Measles and Whooping Cough 3rd. to 26th. February

Portisham - Measles 18th. to 26th. February.

The following diseases were more or less prevalent in undermentioned schools:-

Cerne Abbas - Whooping Cough in May.

Chickerell - Measles and Chicken-pox in January.

Long Bredy - Whooping Cough in October.

Portisham - Measles in February.

Stratton - Whooping Cough in February.

Winterborne Abbas - Whooping Cough in September.

Winterborne St. Martin - Whooping Cough in February.



SCARLET FEVER. Twenty-two cases were notified during the year, ten of which occurred in Chickerell, and seven in Puddletown. At Chickerell a boy who had recently been discharged from Isolation Hospital, was found to have a discharge from his ear and he appeared to have infected his father and two other relatives. At Puddletown an entire family of father, mother and three children developed the disease. Only two cases occurred in this village during the latter half of the year.

DIPHTHERIA. Seven cases were notified, all at Chickerell. Two of the cases were in an overcrowded house. In another instance, a ~~grand~~mother, mother and child in one family were infected.

PARATYPHOID FEVER. One case was notified but, after isolation in hospital, it was found not to be a case.

DYSENTERY. Fifty-one cases were notified all being at Herrison Hospital.

IMMUNISATION AGAINST DIPHTHERIA. Arrangements were made for free immunisation in the schools throughout the district during the summer term. The following list shows the schools at which the clinics were held and the number of children who completed the course of three injections:-





<u>School</u>		<u>No. of children completed.</u>
Abbotsbury ..	..	11
Bradford Peverell..	..	3
Broadmayne ..	..	17
Buckland Newton ..	..	25
Cattistock ..	..	9
Cerne Abbas ..	..	5
Charminster ..	..	24
Cheselborne ..	..	2
Chickerell ..	..	19
Dewlish ..	..	3
Frampton ..	..	23
Langton Herring ..	..	3
Longbrody ..	..	12
Maiden Newton ..	..	11
Melcombe Horsey ..	..	6
Minterne Magna ..	..	3
Osmington ..	..	9
Owermoigne ..	..	6
Portesham ..	..	14
Puddlehinton ..	..	5
Puddletown ..	..	21
Puddletrenthide ..	..	9
Stinsford ..	..	15
Stratton ..	..	13
Sydling St. Nicholas ..	..	7
Tincleton ..	..	9
Toller Porcorum ..	..	4
Warmwell ..	..	8
Winterborne Abbas..	..	11
Winterborne St. Martin ..	..	<u>5</u>
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No vaccinations under the 1917 Regulations were performed as no cases of Smallpox occurred in this district.



PUBLIC HEALTH (PREVENTION of TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS 1925.

These regulations are administered by the Dorset County Council.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1925, Sec.62.

No case was dealt with under this section.

No case of Ophthalmia neonatorum was notified during the year.

There is no evidence of excessive incidence of, or mortality from, tuberculosis in any particular occupation in the area.

Tables of notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) and of Tuberculosis (New cases and mortality) for the year 1937 are attached hereto.

I am, Ladies & Gentlemen,  
Your obedient servant,  
C.D.DAY.



TUBERCULOSIS.

Years of Age	New Cases.				Deaths.			
	Pulmonary		Non-pulmonary.		Pulmonary.		Non-pulmonary.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
0-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
1-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1
5-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
10-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
20-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
25-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
35-	1	2	-	2	-	-	-	-
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55-	2	-	-	-	2	-	2	-
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Total Cases  
Notified

Cases admitted  
to Isolation  
Hospitals.

Total Deaths.

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Years of Age.

TABLE OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES.  
(other than Tuberculosis)  
NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR 1937.

	7	7	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	2	1	-	-
Diphtheria	7	7	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	2	1	-	-
Dysentery	51	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	9	8	22	9
Erysipelas	5	-	Nil	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	1
Malaria	1	-	Nil	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Paratyphoid	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Pneumonia - Acute Primary	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	5	1
Pneumonia Influenzal	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Scarlet Fever	22	22	Nil	-	-	1	2	-	7	4	3	-	4	1	-	-
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